



# PUBLIC NOTICE

Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC)  
Wastewater Discharge Authorization Program  
555 Cordova Street  
Anchorage, Alaska 99501

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED ISSUANCE OF AN  
ALASKA POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (APDES)  
AUTHORIZATION WITH WAIVERS UNDER APDES GENERAL PERMIT AKG701000 TO  
DISCHARGE TO WATERS OF THE UNITED STATES**

A Fact Sheet and associated documents are available for review. For inquiries or to request copies of documents, contact:

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**Note:** This public notice provides an extension of the previously extended public notice period to allow additional time for two public hearings to be held (listed below), and for interested parties to submit comments:

<b>Original Public Notice Issuance Date:</b>	<b>February 2, 2012</b>
<b>Public Notice Expiration Date:</b>	<b>April 17, 2012</b>
<b>Public Hearing Dates and Places:</b>	<b>April 12, 6:00-8:00pm (2-hours)</b> <b>Petersburg City Council Chambers</b> <b>12 South Nordic Drive</b> <b>Petersburg, AK 99833</b>
	<b>April 13, 6:00-8:00pm (2-hours)</b> <b>Ketchikan Gateway Borough</b> <b>Assembly Chambers</b> <b>19000 1<sup>st</sup> Ave.</b> <b>Ketchikan, AK 99901</b>

**Authorization No.: AKG701063 – Pothole Log Storage Area**

**Applicant:**

Forrest Cole  
United States Forest Service  
648 Mission Road  
Ketchikan, Alaska 99901

**Proposed Project and Location:**

Authorization AKG701063 Pothole Log Storage Area (LSA), under General Permit AKG701000 LOG TRANSFER FACILITIES IN ALASKA, allows the United States Forest Service to intermittently store log raft bundles destined for timber mills, in Alexander Bay ("Pothole") per 18 AAC 83.120(d)(3). The LSA consists of 9.2 acres delineated within the state tideland lease Land Administration Case #28108 along the northeast aspect of the bay. The zone of deposit for bark is within the 9.2 acre project area, and bark deposition is limited to one acre of continuous coverage and no more than 10 centimeters in thickness. The guideline disallowing the storage of logs in water less than 40 feet deep at Mean Lower Low Water (MLLW), and the guideline disallowing the storage of logs on or adjacent sensitive habitats are waived.

**Tentative Determination:**

DEC has tentatively determined to issue a discharge authorization under AKG701000 after receiving sufficient information from the applicant to justify waivers for the aforementioned guidelines.

**Public Comments:**

Written comments or requests for a public hearing on the draft authorization under APDES General Permit AKG701000 must be submitted within 30 days of the issuance of this public notice. Please direct written comments and requests to the attention of Marc Bentley at the address or email identified above. All comments should include the name, address, and telephone number of the commenter and a concise statement of comment on the authorization condition(s) and the relevant facts upon which the comment is based. Comments of either support or concern that are directed at specific, cited authorization requirements are appreciated. Mailed comments and requests must be postmarked on or before the expiration date of the public notice.

DEC will consider all comments in making the final decision and will answer the comments in a Response to Comments that will be issued when DEC issues a final authorization. The Response to Comments will be made available to the public.

Any interested person may submit a written request for a public hearing if no hearing has already been scheduled. A request for a public hearing shall state the nature of the issues to be raised, as well as the requester's name, address and telephone number. DEC will hold a public hearing whenever DEC finds, on the basis of requests, a significant degree of public interest in a draft authorization. DEC may also hold a public hearing if a hearing might clarify one or more issues involved in an authorization decision or for other good reason in DEC's discretion.

DEC will transmit the final authorization and Response to Comments to anyone who provided comments during the public review period or requested to be notified of DEC's final decision.

**DEADLINE FOR WRITTEN COMMENTS OR REQUEST FOR PUBLIC HEARING:  
April 17, 2012 at 5:00 p.m. AST**

**Administrative Record:**

The APDES draft authorization, notice of intent, and associated documents are available for public review at the DEC offices located in Anchorage and Juneau. Please contact the office of your choice to arrange for hard copies of the documents to be available for your review at the following addresses:

555 Cordova Street  
**Anchorage**, AK 99501  
907-269-6285

410 Willoughby Ave #303  
**Juneau**, AK 99811  
907-465-5300

If you would like further information or to see any additional supporting technical documents, contact [Marc.Bentley@Alaska.gov](mailto:Marc.Bentley@Alaska.gov) or (907) 269-6287.

The documents are also accessible from the ADEC website at:  
<http://www.dec.state.ak.us/water/wwdp/index.htm>

To receive email notifications about the APDES Program, including when authorizations are available to review, follow the link below to join the APDES email list.  
[http://dec.alaska.gov/water/npdes/npdes\\_email\\_list.htm](http://dec.alaska.gov/water/npdes/npdes_email_list.htm)

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